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LOG OF MEETING

DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES

SUBJECT: Children's Sleepwear Standard--Recommended changes from the American Apparel Manufacturers Association (AAMA)

DATE OF MEETING: June 25, 1997

DATE OF LOG ENTRY: July 7, 1997

SOURCE OF LOG ENTRY: Margaret L. Neily, ESME

LOCATION: East West Towers, Room 410 B/C

CPSC ATTENDEES: See attached list of attendees.

NON-CPSC ATTENDEES: See attached list of attendees.

SUMMARY OF MEETING: On June 9, 1997, AAMA sent CPSC staff a letter recommending certain "technical changes" to the recently amended Children's Sleepwear Standards. This followed their March 6, 1997, request for a 3-month extension of the stay of enforcement and discussion of manufacturing concerns identified by attempts to produce "tight-fitting" garments that comply with the standards. CPSC staff requested this meeting to clarify the AAMA recommendations and to better understand the rationale behind them. (A related industry task force presentation on June 4, 1997, included other more substantive recommendations for amendments of the standards.)

The AAMA recommendations included (1) increasing the wrist and ankle measurements to allow room for a child to fit hands and feet through the openings, (2) increasing the sweep dimension from the waist to the standard seat measurement, (3) adding 1 1/2 inches to the seat measurement to accommodate diapers, (4) moving the thigh measurement point to the knee, using the ASTM standard knee measurement plus 1 inch for bending, and (5) moving the upper arm measurement point to the elbow, using the ASTM standard elbow measurement plus 1 inch for bending.

AAMA reiterated their request for a 3-month extension of the stay of enforcement, but asked that the Commission consider a longer extension of 12 months because of delays in preparation of the various recommendations. Ms. Wolf offered to consult with Association members and provide additional information in response to staff questions by June 29.

AAMA Proposal
Tight-fitting Children's Sleepwear
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